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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Legislative Division

Office of Legislative Liaison

FROM:

Acting Director of Security

SUBJECT:

Request for Comments: Draft Justice Views

Letter on H.R. 3188

REFERENCE:

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OLL/LD Memorandum (OLL 85-3371/1) dated

4 Nov 85; same Subject

The Office of Security has reviewed the views expressed by the Department of Justice regarding Subject proposed legislation. We are in general agreement with the views as expressed with the following exceptions:

- The fourth paragraph on page #3 beginning, "Fifth, the bill includes no procedures...," should be modified. The statements made in this paragraph are speculative and incomplete, and may mislead the reader. It is suggested that the paragraph read, "Fifth, the bill includes no procedures for ensuring that polygraph programs include carefully controlled systems of validation, evaluation, adjudication and records storage and dissemination. These issues should be addressed if a viable polygraph program is to be established by law.
- Also, as an adjunct to the comments made in the final paragraph on page #5, we note that the bill does not provide for leniency by the court as incentive for defendants who cooperate with the authorities by, for example, providing information which assists in either reducing the damage to the national security or which aids in the arrest and conviction of others.

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